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DCI WEEKLY REPORT
PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE

George Lauder is on jury duty until 25 June.

The Media

After the hijackers of TWA flight 847 mentioned alleged U.S. involvement in the 8 March Beirut car bombing, TIME Magazine, THE WASHINGTON TIMES, and THE NEW YORK POST have asked us to comment on linkages between Bob Woodward's story in the POST and the hijacking. We have declined to do so while American lives are in danger, but have reiterated our public denial of any involvement in the car bombing. We have continued to express off the record the concern for American lives we voiced when the Woodward article was printed. So far only USA TODAY has taken note of HPSCI's conclusion that the U.S. Government was not involved in the car bombing. We will try to spread the word.

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The Public

Public Affairs has received a number of calls this week from concerned citizens offering solutions to the TWA flight 847 hostage situation. These range from attacking the Moslem belief system by spraying Beirut with "pureed pig parts" to bringing in Hollywood stunt men to create a gigantic fog. We have heard that 80 percent of the White House correspondence advocates military action, but note that not one of the calls to CIA has advocated a lethal solution. Perhaps people hope that "Mission Impossible" still lives.

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Presentations

Presentations Officer [] will address Stanford University's students who are Government interns in Washington, D.C. for the summer. This invitation was addressed to you but we elected not to impose on your schedule for an activity of this sort. [] is exceptionally well received by such groups.

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With the exception of a briefing to the Naval Intelligence Support Command at Suitland, Md, and the Intelligence Collection Management Course at DIC, Bolling AFB, all PAO presentations this week were in-house. They included:

- New employees entering on duty
- Military Ops Seminar []
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- Intelligence Analysis Course (on producer-consumer relations)

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